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**ANNAPOLIS DRUG DEALER SENTENCED TO 235 MONTHS  
FOR DRUG CONSPIRACY AND FIREARMS CHARGES**

BALTIMORE, Maryland - Thomas M. DiBiagio, United States Attorney for the District of Maryland, announced that United States District Court Judge William D. Quarles sentenced Anthony Gerald White, Sr., age 36, of Columbia, Maryland today to 235 months imprisonment followed by 10 years of supervised release in connection with drug conspiracy and firearms charges.

White, who frequents Annapolis public housing projects, was convicted of conspiracy to distribute and possession with intent to distribute cocaine base “crack” cocaine and cocaine hydrochloride “powder” cocaine within 1,000 feet of a public housing facility, as well as being a felon in possession of two loaded semi-automatic handguns and ammunition.

White testified at trial and denied trafficking in controlled substances as well as denied possession of the firearms and ammunition, even though the ammunition bore his fingerprints. At sentencing, White continued to proclaim his innocence. Judge Quarles increased White’s sentence for obstruction of justice, noting that the jury rejected White’s testimony. In imposing the sentence, Judge Quarles stated, “Drug trafficking represents a threat that has to be dealt with harshly.”

White’s conviction arose from an investigation conducted by the Drug Enforcement

Administration, with assistance from the Anne Arundel County, Howard County and Annapolis Police Departments in connection with drug trafficking activities in the public housing facilities in Annapolis. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Jane M. Erisman and Christopher J. Romano.